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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Takuro Sugiura
Appln. No.: 10/619,959
Filed: July 14, 2003
For: ILLUMINATION DEVICE AND
LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY
DEVICE

Examiner: Long Pham

Art Unit: 2814

Attorney Docket No: 9281-4604

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Attached is/are:

☒ Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; PTO Form 1449; Copy of Search Report for European Patent Application No. EP 03 25 4420; Copy of references B1-B7

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Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

No.	Date of Publication
6,323,919	11/2001
6,816,214 B1	11/2004
WO 99/63394	12/1999
EP 1 079 264 A3	04/2004
EP 1 079 264 A2	02/2001
2000-180631	06/2000
EP 0 940 706	09/1999

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Also enclosed is a copy of a Search Report dated January 3, 2005 for European Patent Application No. EP 03 25 4420. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

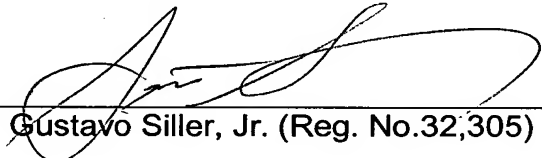
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Applicant certifies under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1) that no item of information in this Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement (a copy of any foreign communication first citing a listed reference is attached for the Examiner's reference). Accordingly, Applicant has calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

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EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	B1	6,323,919	11/2001	Ying Bao Yang et al.		
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	B3	WO 99/63394	12/1999	PCT		X	
	B4	EP 1 079 264 A3	04/2004	Europe		X	
	B4	EP 1 079 264 A2	02/2001	Europe		X	
	B5	2000-180631	06/2000	Japan		X (Abstract)	
	B6	EP 0 940 706	09/1999	Europe		X	

EXAMINER INITIAL	OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)	
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